

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are presently pending in the application. Reconsideration and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

The Examiner has objected to Claims 1, 8, and 17, due to informalities.

The claims have been amended to correct for any informalities noted by the Examiner.

The Examiner has rejected Claim 4 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

However, the Examiner has allowed Claims 1-3 and 5-20, and has found Claim 4 allowable if rewritten to overcome the indefiniteness rejection.

Claim 4 has been amended to obviate any indefiniteness noted by the Examiner.

Accordingly, Claims 1-20 should be in form for allowance and such action is hereby solicited.

If the Examiner believes that there is any issue which could be resolved by a telephone or personal interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee for such an extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1061.

Respectfully submitted,

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